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BUSINESS ADDRESS.

All communications respecting manuscripts, editorial and general business of the Society, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. DANIEL WISE, 805 Broadway, New York.

Applications for grants should be made (post paid) to the Boards or Agents of the Conference within which the grant is to be used; or if the Conference have no Board or Agent, to the Corresponding Secretary at New York; to Rev. J. M. WALDEN, Cincinnati; to W. R. MARLAY, Chicago; to J. HORNER, Pittsburgh; to H. H. OTIS, Buffalo; to J. P. MAGEE, Boston; to B. ST. JAMES FRY, St. Louis; to E. THOMAS, San Francisco, Cal.; or to A. C. GIBBS, Portland, Oregon.

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FORM OF A BEQUEST.

I give unto "The Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," incorporated by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, passed April 15, 1854, the sum of _____ dollars, for the purposes of said Society, and for which the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge.

Persons disposed to make bequests to the Society are requested to be careful to adopt the above form, and also to give timely notice to the officers of the Society, in order that legacies may not be diverted from their intended object.

CONSTITUTION OF A CONFERENCE AUXILIARY.

ART. 1. The title of this society shall be, "The Tract Society of the — Conference, auxiliary to the Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

ART. 2. The object of this society shall be to promote the purposes of the Parent Tract Society, by obtaining funds for it, and circulating tracts and volumes within the bounds of the Conference.

ART. 3. The payment of one dollar per annum shall constitute a member of this society; the payment of five dollars or more, at one time, shall constitute a member for life; and the payment of twenty dollars at one time a director for life.

ART. 4. The Board of Managers shall consist of a President, who shall be the presiding Bishop of the Conference; of five Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and twenty members—ministers and laymen.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall remit, as early as possible, funds received by him to the Treasurer of the Parent Society.

ART. 6. The annual meeting of the society shall be held at the session of the Conference, when the Corresponding Secretary shall submit the Annual Report, the Treasurer exhibit a certified statement of his accounts, and the election of officers and members for the ensuing year be held. There shall also be held an anniversary meeting of the society at the same time and place.

SYNOPSIS OF THE PLANS OF ACTION ADOPTED BY THE TRACT SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

THE policy of the Tract Society is to encourage the circulation of tracts and books chiefly by *voluntary* laborers. Its principal agents are our Presiding Elders, Pastors, and Tract Committees. Could it secure their general and hearty co-operation it would speedily become the most effective organization of its class in the country. To obtain their aid it offers :

1. To give annually *five dollars'* worth of tracts, or the equivalent in Good News, to the Pastor or Tract Committee of every *mission* that will apply for them.

2. To every self-supporting appointment pledging a collection, such a supply of Tracts or Good News, at any time, as their necessities require, it being understood that the Pastor and Tract Committee will secure the Society in return a COLLECTION sufficient to cover the amount of the grant, and to leave a balance proportionate to the ability of the Church for general purposes.

3. The Society also proposes to co-operate with our Foreign Missions by supplying them with the means of translating and publishing tracts and books. Last year it granted some \$4,000 to these important fields, and will need a still greater sum for their use the current year. The press is indispensable to our missionaries, and the Tract Society must sustain it.

4. The Society will co-operate with Freedmen's Associations in supplying them with such books and papers as will promote the education of those large bodies of our emancipated fellow-citizens which are their peculiar care. It recently sent nearly 200,000 pages of tracts to Georgia alone.

5. The Society will send tracts and papers to the army and navy so far as it has means and opportunity.

6. The Society will send tracts and papers to almshouses, prisons, and reformatory institutions, particularly those in which our ministers officiate as chaplains, superintendents, teachers, etc. To accomplish these ends the Society depends upon the Pastors to solicit the Churches to give an annual collection to its treasury. For the current year, 1870, it asks the Churches for not less than \$30,000.

7. The Society has two colporteurs in the field.

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At Buffalo.	At St. Louis.	At San Francisco, Cal.	At Portland, Oregon.
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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT to incorporate the TRACT SOCIETY of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
Passed April 15, 1854.

Sec. 1. Beverly Waugh, Thomas A. Morris, Edmund S. Janes, Levi Scott, Matthew Simpson, Osmon C. Baker, Edward R. Anes, Abel Stevens, Stephen Martindale, Nathan Bangs, Randolph S. Foster, James Floy, James H. Perry, Benjamin Griffen, Joseph B. Hagany, Leonard M. Vincent, John P. Hermance, T. F. R. Mercein, Abiathar M. Osbon, Joseph B. Wakeley, Hart F. Pease, John L. Gilder, Henry J. Fox, Charles H. Whittaker, Zephaniah N. Lewis, Henry Lounsbury, T. Carlton, John M'Lean, Elisha Harris, Gabriel P. Disoway, Asa Child, James Howland, J. M. Fuller, E. H. Rowlandson, J. H. Taft, John Falconer, Joel Sammis, L. B. Loder, William Truslow, S. B. Wickens, T. A. Howe, James Davis, J. B. Edwards, W. H. Dikeman, Ira Perego, Jr., Samuel Watkins, John Reid, William Jacobus, J. W. Rumsey, William Morgan, J. W. Corson, William W. Cornell, J. P. Early, W. A. Cox, A. S. Purdy, Moses F. Odell, H. W. Quinn, Hiram M. Forrester, and all other persons who now are or hereafter may become associated with them, and their successors, are hereby constituted a body *corporate* and politic, by the name of "The Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," and by that name they and their successors shall and may have perpetual succession, and shall in law be capable of suing and being sued in any court whatsoever, and they and their successors may have and use a common seal, and the same may alter and change at pleasure.

Sec. 2. The object of said Corporation shall be to diffuse the blessings of Education, Civilization, and Christianity throughout the United States and elsewhere, by the publication and distribution of tracts, and cheap publications, and books.

Sec. 3. The said Corporation shall in law be capable of taking, receiving, purchasing, and holding real estate for the purposes of their incorporation, and for no other purpose, to an amount not exceeding the sum of fifty thousand dollars in value, and personal estate for like purposes to an amount not exceeding the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars in value, but the clear annual income of such real and personal estate shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars; to make by-laws for the management of its affairs not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of this state, or of the United States; to elect and appoint officers and agents of the said Society for the management of its business, and to allow them a suitable compensation. The said Corporation shall also be capable of taking, holding, or receiving any property, real, personal, or mixed, by virtue of any devise or bequest contained in any last will or testament of any person whatsoever, the clear annual income of which devise or bequest shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars: Provided no person leaving a wife, or child, or parent, shall devise or bequeath to such Corporation more than one fourth of his or her estate, after the payment of his or her debts; and such devise or bequest shall be valid to the extent of such one fourth; and no such devise or bequest shall be valid in any will which shall not have been made and executed at least two months before the death of the testator.

Sec. 4. The management and disposition of the affairs and property of the said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Managers to be annually elected at a meeting of the Society to be called for that purpose, and held in the city of New York, at such time and on such notice as the Board of Managers for the time being shall previously prescribe. Such Board shall consist of not less than thirty-two lay members, and of so many clerical members, not exceeding that number, as shall be determined upon at such annual meeting, and each of whom shall be a minister in good and regular standing in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancy that may happen, until the ensuing annual election. Thirteen members of the Board at any meeting thereof shall be a sufficient number for the transaction of business; and at any meeting of the Society, twenty-five members of the Society shall be a sufficient quorum.

Sec. 5. The persons named in the first section of this Act shall be the first Board of Managers of such Corporation, and shall hold their offices until the next annual election, or until others shall be elected in their places.

Sec. 6. The said Corporation shall possess the general powers, and be subject to the liabilities imposed in and by the third title of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes.

Sec. 7. The Legislature may at any time alter or repeal this Act.

Sec. 8. This Act shall take effect immediately.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. This association shall be denominated the Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II. Its object shall be to diffuse religious knowledge, by the circulation of the publications of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the English and other languages, in our own and foreign countries.

ARTICLE III. Any person paying to this society one dollar per year, shall be a member of the same; and the payment of ten dollars at one time, shall constitute a member for life; and the payment of twenty-five dollars at one time, shall constitute a director for life.

ARTICLE IV. Persons constituted life-members by the payment of ten dollars, not designated for any special object, shall be entitled to receive tracts to the value of fifty cents each year; and life-directors, to the value of two dollars each year: or, if they prefer, they may receive tracts at any one time to the amount of half the sum paid. All members and directors are also entitled to vote at the annual meetings of the society.

ARTICLE V. The annual meetings of the society shall be held during the second or third week of December. A public anniversary shall also be held each year, at such time and place as the Board of Managers shall determine.

ARTICLE VI. The Senior Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be President of this society, the remaining Bishops shall be its Vice-Presidents, ranking in the order of seniority. A Vice-President may be appointed by each Annual Conference. There shall be appointed by the General Conference a Corresponding Secretary for this society, who shall be the Editor of the Tracts. The other officers of this society shall be a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, and two elected Vice-Presidents, who shall severally be appointed by the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE VII. The funds of this society shall be expended under the direction of the Board of Managers in payment of the necessary expenses of the institution, and in the promotion of its general objects. In all cases of gratuitous aid, books and tracts shall be given instead of money, unless the latter is strictly necessary to the accomplishment of a constitutional object.

ARTICLE VIII. The Board of Managers shall have power to enact their own by-laws, to fill vacancies in the Board occurring during the year, to provide for the translation and publication of tracts, to employ colporteurs, to print and circulate appeals to the Church in behalf of the benevolent objects of the society, to raise and disburse funds for those

objects, and to establish committees of finance and appropriations wherever necessary.

ARTICLE IX. Each Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church may form a Conference Tract Society auxiliary to this, with power to adopt such measures as in the judgment of said conference are best calculated to promote the objects of this association, and to form sub-auxiliaries in its several circuits and stations. The presidents of the Conference Auxiliaries shall be vice-presidents of this society, or where there is no auxiliary the conference may appoint a vice-president.

ARTICLE X. This Constitution cannot be altered except by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on the recommendation of the society at a meeting called for that purpose, after, at least, one month's public notice; or by the society, on the recommendation of the General Conference.

BY-LAWS.

1. The regular meetings of the Board shall be held quarterly on the second Wednesdays in January, April, July, and October.

2. Special meetings may be held at the call of the Corresponding Secretary.

3. Thirteen members shall constitute a quorum.

4. The Treasurer shall keep an account of all moneys received or expended, report the same at each regular meeting, submit his account to any auditing committee appointed by the Board, and answer all orders on the treasury authorized by the Board.

5. There shall be a standing Executive Committee, to consist of the Corresponding Secretary, four laymen, and four ministers, all of whom shall be members of the Board. They shall be elected annually, and be responsible to the Board for their acts.

6. The Executive Committee shall be the Committee of Applications for Aid at New York; and there shall be a Committee of Finance and Applications for Aid at each of the following places, namely: Cincinnati, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, St. Louis, San Francisco, Portland, (Oregon,) Bremen, (Germany,) and Lucknow, (India,) to be appointed by this Board, and to consist of five members each.

7. There shall be a Committee on Publications, to consist of five members of this Board, to whom the editor may at all times refer such questions relating to the Tract publications as he may deem proper, and who shall represent this Board in relation to all the publications which go out in the name of this Society. They shall keep a record of their acts and be responsible to the Board.

8. There shall be a Legacy Committee of five members of the Board, to whom all questions relating to bequests may be referred. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and from time to time make such recommendations to the Board as the interests of the Society in this respect may require.

9. The Order of Business at the regular meetings of the Board shall be as follows:

- (1.) Calling the roll.
- (2.) Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting.
- (3.) The report of the Corresponding Secretary.
- (4.) The Treasurer's report.
- (5.) Reports of Committees.
- (6.) Miscellaneous business.

OUR TRACT SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY.

OUR Tract Society held its seventeenth anniversary on Sunday, the 28th ult., at Cleveland, Ohio. The day was delightfully soft, an Indian summer atmosphere prevailing, and the attendance consequently was excellent in all our churches. All the speakers announced, except Rev. S. D. Brown, who was detained at home by severe sickness, were in the pulpits according to programme. Rev. G. P. Porter, of Buffalo, preached in the First Church; Rev. D. C. Osborne made good Brother Brown's lack of service in Erie-street, his own church, and his brethren informed me that he excelled himself in the admirable sermon he was so unexpectedly required to preach. Rev. S. W. Thomas, of Philadelphia, discoursed at the City Mission. Rev. J. B. Faulks, of Jersey City, preached at Scolville Avenue. The Corresponding Secretary was at East Cleveland, Dr. Crawford at Christ Church, Dr. Walden at Bridge-street, and Rev. W. C. Steele at Clark Mission. We heard excellent reports respecting the preaching of these brethren.

Two Union Sunday-School meetings were held in the afternoon, which were addressed by several of the brethren.

Two platform meetings were held in the evening, one at Christ Church, on the west side of the river, and one at First Church. At the former meeting Rev. J. B. Faulks and Rev. S. W. Thomas were the speakers. Rev. G. P. Porter was present, but not being in his usual health, did not speak. The meeting was pronounced a success.

At First Church, after the report of the Corresponding Secretary, addresses were delivered by Rev. W. C. Steele, Dr. Walden, and Dr. Crawford. A fine feeling prevailed, and the very large audience retired deeply impressed by the idea that there is a power in the tract work of which every Church ought to avail itself. We mistake the spirit of that meeting if it does not give

birth to a movement for a more extended tract circulation by our Churches in the "Forest City."

Finally, we think our anniversary in Cleveland was both interesting and profitable to the people. Our Churches there will be helped by it in their manifest movement toward a higher relative position among the other denominations. We felt everywhere the workings of a progressive spirit among them. The First Church chapel is the finest *chapel* edifice we know of. It combines size and elegance with good taste, and every imaginable convenience for Church work, both social and religious. When the *church* is erected it will be equal to any ecclesiastical structure in Cleveland. The "Seolville Avenue" brethren, we learned, are planning liberal things. "East Cleveland" is preparing to finish its pretty suburban church. "Christ Church" is about to occupy the basement of its noble structure. On all sides the brethren are looking forward to a bright future of usefulness and growth. We trust our anniversary will prove to have been a valuable contribution to their movements.

We had hoped to furnish abstracts of the sermons and addresses delivered at this anniversary, and we applied to all the speakers to furnish them. But we have received only those given below.

SYNOPSIS OF REV. D. C. OSBORNE'S SERMON.

Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night? The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will inquire, inquire ye: return, come.—Isa. xxi, 11, 12.

He who studies history carefully will most certainly conclude that God is present in the affairs of human life, turning, drawing, restraining, and overruling, with this grand end in view, the salvation of humanity.

Since Jesus said, "All power is given unto me," men have had an ever increasing proof of his presence and power to bless and save. Man is not an outcast and forgotten, but is cared for, watched, and loved by infinite Fatherliness.

To discern the divine in the struggles of the past, to note how ideas which were heaven-born were hated and hunted by men—even nailed to the cross—yet lived and blessed those who had fought them, is a work with which many of our children are familiar. All the ages have sown seeds of good for us, and we enjoy their labors, through the fact that God is so constantly present that not one of his words fail.

While we then rejoice over all that has been done, let us carefully examine the present, and learn some of its lessons, that we may better fight the fight of faith. "Watchman, what of the night?"

1. The watchman answers: "This is the most restless age I ever saw. The whole mass of humanity is stirred. To the careless observer chaos seems to have come again; but the thoughtful one sees that some force has stirred the peoples of earth, and from the highest to the lowest there is a

general waking up. The Pope calls a Council; the Jews meet and cast off old customs; Mohammedanism waits by its tombs, crying and wildly wailing; Paganism shouts to its dead gods, praying for new chains with which to gird its votaries; Protestantism, in its living men and women, is planning new campaigns. Ezekiel's vision of the wheels is realized in the whirling locomotive, which startles men in Asia from the sleep of ages.

2. There is intense activity. All the forces of nature which man can control are pressed into his service, and all wait on him. Men *run to and fro*. The pulse quickens: disease does its work more swiftly. Thought is quickened, flashing over the land and under the oceans; knowledge is increasing. The whole earth is becoming one neighborhood. Mother Eve ate the fruit of the tree of knowledge, and her children still are in pursuit. God's Spirit helpeth their infirmities. The Comforter waits to guide into all truth which frees; conservatives make a sturdy fight for the good old times, and think (as we too may when old) that the former times were better than these. But their work will only make the growth of the present more stable. The sun is shining, morning is coming; shall it be a long bright day, or will night again darken the earth?

3. This restlessness and activity has manifested itself in the inventions of our days. Force is applied in various forms. Men may use improved implements or trudge on in the old routine. There are better methods of instruction. The cause of things is sought for. The Church has felt this restless and active tide, and manifests her quickened zeal in raising up the Sunday-School, Bible, Missionary, Church Extension, Tract Societies, Young Men's Christian Associations, etc. Seizing the press, she sends through all the avenues of life a sanctified literature, prepared by skillful hands, the outpourings of loving hearts; and the faintest member has faith that the world is to be converted.

4. There is a terrible recklessness and a spirit of intense worldliness plainly seen as one of the signs of the times. See the stock-jobbing men expecting to make money without a return of value. We will ride on the swiftest train, though a slower one be safer. Men venture all and lose, and end life by suicide. We work excessively, and our amusements are in excess. We want excitement, and we drive on as though there were no day of settlement. Mediums of dissolute life and conduct profess to reveal the heavenly life of God's children for money, and exhibiting their brass as the pure gold of the new Jerusalem, are received by many as oracles of God. The marriage tie is held too loosely. Mormonism and Spiritism have blown their poisonous breath upon society, and the fallen, selfish heart is led away by its own desires, and ruin comes.

We have passed through a mighty war; values have been unsettled. The volume of money increased, men have grown rich on contracts. Others in legitimate trade have gained much of greenbacks. The times are now more difficult, and there is a great lack of commercial honor; men break rich, or live fast until sold out. "What of the night?"

Look closely at society, and two mighty tides arrest your attention; one lifting up and blessing, the other casting down and destroying. One bearing a cross, yet with its cross and burdens, strong to help the needy; the other, with great promise of fruit, giving at last only apples of Sodom. These tides are moving in opposite directions, one heavenward, the other toward hell; yet they surge around humanity to-day with all the aggregated force of the ages—the fight has begun, it ranges round every man's soul. We are in our places either for God or against him. This battle will not end until victory is gained, and Jesus crowned King of kings by man as well as by the Father; or we crown Beelzebub as our king, and go down to everlasting blackness and despair. Let every man, woman,

and child in the Church go to the front; let the cowards and faint hearts go to the rear: we are enlisted for life. During our Centenary year we heard much of our fathers, what great men they were. They doubtless were mighty men, but we are to work shame on the man who has too good blood to work for God.

These tides never were in such fierce conflict as to-day—the heart was never so exposed before—face to face stand the forces—the battle is now of infantry.

The Tract Society comes to our aid. The best thoughts from the mighty of the past, the earnest thinkers of the present, concentrated and printed, and men and women bear them with prayer and love to the needy, and if they need the gospel of food and clothing, supply them. But be sure and give them the knowledge of Christ: an idea may do as much good to a starving soul as a loaf of bread to a perishing body.

Tracts are written on all subjects; they supplement and prepare for the effort of the pulpit. Men say, Preach short, we are in a hurry. The Tract has a short sermon: it gives a field of labor to unused talent: it introduces the distributor: it can say what we would not be permitted to: it furnishes to some families the only religious reading they have: it is a partial work which pledges you to God and man for yet other labors.

Near us are hundreds of families who need the Tract and Tract visitor. Give the collection; the Society will give you the Tracts, and you can be a worker with God.

“What of the night?” “The morning cometh.” Humanity, like youth, is reckless. But Christ is coming in the hearts of his people. He is bending all the improvements of the day toward his cross. He is calling to the conflict; up, quit you like men. Your hands may be full, your heart aching, sorrow may fall;

“But that high suffering which we dread
A higher joy discloses;
Men saw the thorns on Jesus’ head,
But angels saw the roses.”

OUTLINE OF REV. J. B. FAULK’S SERMON.

Ye are the salt of the earth—the light of the world, etc.—*MATT. v, 13-16.*

No other influence binds the human family together like the Gospel of Jesus. As the genius and spirit of that Gospel come to be understood and diffused, Christians and Christian Churches are more deeply impressed with the duties growing out of their relation to society. We hear the voice that declares, “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart,” declaring with equal force, “Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.” In this great model sermon Jesus first teaches his disciples the blessedness of personal humility, penitence, meekness, spiritual appetites, heart-purity, and an unimpeachable character, amid the persecutions of an unfriendly world. Then he reminds us of our relation to that world. Though persecuted, the disciple is not to seek revenge, nor escape, nor much outward separation; but amid it all, so greatly blessed, he is himself to be a living blessing—not the world’s foe, but its benefactor. The connection between the Beatitudes and the precepts that follow them is highly significant. Why did Jesus join them so closely?

The character and work of the Christian Church are set forth in the metaphors of the text—salt and light. *Salt* imparts flavor to food, preserves from decay and corruption, and is a purifier. *Light* warms the embryo into life, dispels miasm and disease, promotes health, revives and beautifies. They are positive agents, and produce positive benefits. So

the possessor of the blessed life is not a man of passive graces only, of an inert goodness, but a positive character, a positive blessing. Our subject is Christian activity—its object, its motives, and modes.

The existence of the Church is not a minor incident in the story of the ages, but a monumental fact. The gospel teaches that the human race is redeemed by the atonement—their salvation is made possible; but they are not actually saved. Consider what a state of salvation is, and then contrast with it the condition of mankind. The wrecked vessel is not yet righted up and towed into port. In this mighty work divine energies and human agencies combine. If there is good done God does it, yet with the consent and co-operation of the human heart. The task of Christians is to work out their own salvation with fear and trembling, and, as far as possible, to aid their fellow-men in the sublime endeavor.

The motives are mighty.

1. It is the *ordination of God*. Not a law in words, but wrought into the constitution of his kingdom, declared rather as a fact than a command, “Ye are the salt;” “Ye are the light.” Why this law, we will not inquire curiously. Enough for *us* to know that it pleases our Father. The divine plan is best, because it is divine.

2. Christian *gratitude impels* to Christian actions.

The Gospel provides for its manifestation in good works. As rivers flowing to the ocean refresh the country on their way, Christian affection, rising to God, enriches mankind in the process.

3. It is *essential to Church-life*. Reproduction, extension, circulation, requisite to maintain and increase life. In grace, as in nature and commerce, “the liberal soul shall be made fat.” The Church is prosperous that *cares* for the people. Such work conserves and compacts the organization. Several examples were quoted.

4. A worthy motive is *patriotism*.

Enduring prosperity is not the offspring of self-glorification, arms, material resources, nor diplomacy, but of *character* in the citizens. The real patriot is the broad and earnest Christian.

The *modes of Christian activity*. The genius of goodness, like the healthful orchard, bears many and various fruits. The various forms of benevolence were alluded to, and the use of the press named as among the most efficient. Its advantages are, Permanence, adaptability, comprehensiveness, and comparative inexpensiveness. The Tract Society makes efficient use of it.

REV. W. C. STEELE'S ADDRESS.

There are clear and cogent reasons why the Tract enterprise demands the sympathy and liberality of every true Christian. And not the least of these is the fact that the enemies of Christ were never before so earnest and active. Infidelity, availing itself of every literary means of diffusion, is flooding Christendom with its publications, enlisting its most cultivated and polished minds in the evil work, and adorning its productions with all the graces of rhetoric and with all the beauties of poetry; its Satanic work is so well done as to verify the old proverb, that “the devil sends no fools on his errands.” Not alone through the press, but by the establishment of schools of learning, and through the medium of public lectures, Christianity is being constantly attacked. Romanism, not satisfied with increased efforts to accomplish its objects in our free America by operating through political channels of action, thus seeking to support its charities by public moneys, and making wily efforts by clasping hands in evil league with infidelity to rob the school-house of God's holy word, has also found

that by the issue of spiey tracts against Protestantism, and by their free and gratuitous circulation, its evil aims can be more fully accomplished.

To meet these foes and discomfit them, requires the silent but effective counteracting agency of the Tract cause.

But another reason why the Church should aid this cause is found in the fact that this is a *reading* age. Men read every-where—in cars, market-houses, counting-rooms and private houses you will find newspapers and periodicals. The people are hungering for knowledge, and if they have not bread they will feed on husks. All the great revolutions in thought and in political institutions are accomplished now through the press; and unless it is fully employed in winning the world to Christ, the Church will be delinquent in duty and criminal before God.

The age is irreligious in its tendencies; money-seeking, and making haste to get wealth, is characteristic of our people. Every energy is absorbed in the effort to make gain; worldliness is dominant every-where, and even creeps into our Churches, defiling God's holy places. The Church must meet this evil bias of our times by assailment from the press, as well as from the pulpit. Our duty to this cause demands,

1. Our prayers. Send out these messengers of truth by prayer, and they will win souls to God; for no arrow of truth ever went forth swift-winged from the bow-string of prayer and failed of its goal.

2. Our *labors*. Do not think it ignoble to labor for souls by carrying these protests against evil, and appeals for a holy life, to the sinful of earth. God's blessing will follow your feeble efforts; and although you may not be encouraged by immediate results, remember that

“No accent of the Holy Ghost
The heedless world hath ever lost.”

3. *Give liberally*. God could *easily provide* all the money needed to reform and save our world. A divine whisper could fill the Church coffers to overflowing in a moment, but then that priceless spirit of sacrifice, which is the true wealth of the Church, would never be developed. The Delphic oracle said to the anxious Cesar on the eve of battle, “The silver weapon will conquer all.” And with liberal gifts, sanctified by prayer, the world would soon be conquered for Jesus.

In the days of our fathers, when every region had its ghost stories, it was taught that the only way to destroy the goblin was by shooting at it with a silver bullet. And if the Church will only provide the silver balls, Romanism, coming from its cloister, thin and attenuated by long vigils and fastings, the mere shadow of its medieval self; Infidelity, reasserting the sophisms exploded by the fathers, and offering to the world resurrected errors of the past; and white-turbaned Islamism, weak and feeble, coming forth from its sick bed—would all fall before a brave, and earnest, and self-denying Christianity.

ADDRESS ON TRACT CAUSE, BY J. B. FAULKES.

The press has come to be a master as well as a servant; it creates, guides, and stimulates public sentiment. Infidels, Romanists, politicians, men of business, and governments, employ the press as never before. They circulate documents by the million! The speaker had a tract almanac by a physician, who proposed to publish two million copies gratuitously! When the press is used in the interest of error and corruption the havoc of character is alarming. Complaints, denunciation, and preaching, are not sufficient to counteract the evil influence. The power of the press for evil must be met by the power of the press for good. Several classes are

to be reached. 1. Vast numbers, ignorant or neglectful of gospel truth, which is not taught by newspapers, magazines, and scientific works. Vast numbers do not *hear* the gospel. 2. More than 4,000,000 of Freedmen still in deep ignorance, but willing to learn. 3. Romanists who are beginning to read on both sides. 4. Those in whom ignorance and animalism have given place to sentiments inimical to Christianity. They must be met on the same plane by books written as ably and well, affording argument for argument, and following poison with its antidote. This mighty and varied work the Tract Society seeks to do. It is a utilizer of means and agencies; it makes the very best use of what is committed to its care; it affords a field for the employment of all orders of talent. A child or a peasant may present to a sinner the thoughts of sages and saints.

Our own plan is the best for us if it is only put into use. The best seed cannot produce a harvest unless put into the soil. Several incidents, illustrating tract-work and its glorious results, were narrated.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

THE Tract Society has accomplished the work committed to it by the Church with its usual fidelity, and with a small increase in all its departments.

Its *receipts* were \$15,417 76, an increase of \$404 99 over those of 1868.

Its *expenditures* were \$20,231 33, or \$824 14 over those of the preceding year.

The following table shows the receipts and expenditures of the last fourteen years.

	Receipts.	Expenditures.
For the year ending December, 1856.....	\$3,388 39	\$4,370 97
“ “ 1857.....	5,849 26	3,272 03
“ “ 1858.....	4,021 30	3,871 77
“ “ 1859.....	4,148 12	2,625 48
“ “ 1860.....	2,803 60	4,976 32
“ “ 1861.....	4,042 43	4,049 22
“ “ 1862.....	4,756 82	4,691 24
“ “ 1863.....	8,718 25	5,518 85
“ “ 1864.....	12,610 91	12,017 41
“ “ 1865.....	13,566 61	13,606 25
“ “ 1866.....	14,574 24	11,005 88
“ “ 1867.....	13,102 13	11,280 12
“ “ 1868.....	15,012 77	19,407 19
“ “ 1869.....	15,417 76	20,231 33

THE GOOD NEWS.

The *Good News* had an average circulation of 71,958, an increase of 9,598 over that of 1868. The whole number of copies printed was 863,500, which, counting each number equal to thirty tract pages, contained a sum of reading equivalent to 25,905,000 pages of tracts. The *Good News* is an illustrated tract, treating every topic relating to the Christian life in brief, pertinent articles, and is often read by many who would refuse to look at an ordinary tract. It ought to have a circulation of, at least, 100,000.

TRACTS.

As announced in our last year's report, the tract list has been revised and newly classified. It is now issued under the new

classification. In view of the difficulty of adding new tracts to the various packages while in a transition state, we have refrained from making many new issues the past year. The following, however, have been brought out, and we have quite a number more ready for the printer :

1. Leaflets for Letters—three packages.
2. Packet Tracts, containing twelve tracts, 8 pages each.
3. Four Book Tracts, namely :
 - (a.) A Word to Lads on Tobacco.
 - (b.) Self-Education of Young Men.
 - (c.) About Amusements.
 - (d.) The Willful Wanderer.

One new tract volume has been published. Its title is, "HOME LIFE ; OR, HOW TO MAKE HOME HAPPY. A Book for Parents, Children, Brothers, and Sisters." Five Illustrations.

Join the ring, my girls and boys ;
 This enchanting circle, this
 Binds the social loves and joys,
 'Tis the fairy ring of bliss.—*Montgomery.*

At the same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.—JER. xxxi, 1.

This suggestive little volume is the production of Marianne Farningham, an English lady, who has a "happy knack of saying good things, and giving good advice, without becoming dull or wearisome." In this edition, reprinted from a London copy, we have made a few alterations in the style, and inserted a note or two by way of correcting what we deem slight errors. We recommend it earnestly to the members of every Christian household, because it contains valuable hints and useful suggestions which, if heeded, would lead many who now find their chief pleasure in what is called "society" to turn their attention to their own hearth-sides, and to make them what God meant they should be, "fairy rings of bliss." The tendency of the times is to seek enjoyment outside of the homestead. This work is designed to correct this bad feature, and to persuade its readers to make "home life" so delightful that the doubtful pleasures of "society" may lose their fascinations, and home become the ante-chamber of heaven.

TRACT PAGES CIRCULATED.

Of Tract pages there have been printed as follows :

Pages of 12mo. Tracts at home.....	5,171,000
Pages of Tracts in 863,500 numbers of the <i>Good News</i> ...	25,905,000
12mo. pages of Tracts in Germany.	3,664,370
126,000 Books and Tracts, in China, estimated as averaging 124 pages each.....	3,024,864
Total number printed.....	37,765,234
Total number in 1868.....	33,111,518
Increase.....	4,653,716

TRACT MANUAL.

Our Tract Manual is out, and has been extensively circulated. It treats the Tract question under the following heads, namely :

1. The Tract. 2. The origin of organized Tract work. 3. Synopsis of the Policy of the Tract Society. 4. Colportage. 5. Disciplinary Duties of Preachers to the Tract Cause. 6. Privileges of Pastors. 7. The Duties of Pastors. 8. A Local Tract Depository. 9. Tract Committees. 10. Plans for Tract Distribution. 11. Facts illustrating the results of Tract distribution. 12. Classified Catalogue of Tracts.

Every preacher and every tract worker should own a copy of this manual. It may be obtained *gratis*, on application to the Corresponding Secretary, or to any of our several Committees on Application for Aid.

COLPORTAGE.

The Board of Managers, desiring to test the practicability of a plan for *self-sustaining* colportage, have had six colporteurs in the field during the year, namely : C. D. Rowley, who operated along the western end of the line of the New York Central Railroad ; Rev. M. Swallow, Pennsylvania ; Richard Grogan, in the city of Newark ; Joseph Moulton, in Northern New Hampshire ; F. A. Archibald, in Chicago and vicinity ; and J. W. Dole, in Indiana and Ohio. The results of their labors, up to Dec. 31, 1869, are shown in the following table :

Colporteur.	Days in service.	Sales.	Public Meetings Addressed.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	Families conversed or prayed with.
C. D. Rowley.	None charg'd.	\$85 67	11	1,000	122
M. Swallow.	74	418 54	19	1,676	500
R. Grogan.	19	30 55	7	1,318	93
J. Moulton.	71	343 17	31	7,701	576
F. A. Archibald.	62	648 36	31	6,424	83
J. W. Dole.	45	55 28	..	12,000	330
Totals.....	271	1,531 57	99	30,119	1,704

These returns can scarcely be called satisfactory. In fact three of the above-named brethren became discouraged, and quitted the work. Their success did not correspond with either their efforts or expectations. Some complained that the preachers did not sustain them heartily; others, who found the preachers in sympathy with them, reported that the people did not care to buy their books. Various excuses were offered, such as, "We have plenty of books;" "Your books are too dear;" "We can get books of our preacher when we want them;" "We get all the books from the Sunday-school library that we have time to read;" "We have no money to spend for books." Thus repulsed, our laborers grew discouraged, with the exception of one, who lost his health, and two, Swallow and Moulton, whose persistency and love of the work keep them in the field. Their zeal is worthy of praise.

It is clear that it would not be judicious to expand this experiment into a great system, unless the Church is prepared to contribute funds to the Society sufficient to pay *at least one half of the expenses of colportage*. If she will treat the distribution of her literature as a work of benevolence, as do the patrons of the American Tract Society, our books can be circulated to a vast extent through this agency. But such has not been the theory or policy of our Church, and our Tract Society has neither the authority nor the pecuniary ability to inaugurate a change on a large scale. The General Conference must first determine that it ought to be done, and the Churches must furnish the means by greatly enlarged collections to our treasury. Thus supported, the Tract Society can circulate tens of thousands of our publications. But until these things are done it must act cautiously, and employ only a few brethren in this service—brethren whose success is such as to make their work self-sustaining, or nearly so.

GERMANY.

Rev. L. S. Jacoby writes of our Tract work in Germany as follows:

REV. DR. D. WISE, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

DEAR BROTHER: You receive herewith the Annual Report of our Tract Society and Book Concern, and I am glad to inform you that our publishing work is progressing. There is a great demand for tracts, and we have very often not been able to satisfy the same because our means are very limited. It is true, the Religious Tract Society has been very kind to us.

We received for the publication of the "Monthly Messenger" £35, and for the publication of "Leaflets" and "Illustrated Handbills" £50; but still our Tract Society is dependent upon the parent Society, and we request you earnestly not to forsake us, but to grant us again one thousand dollars for 1870. May God bless our Church and its institutions!

Yours faithfully,

L. S. JACOBY.

We subjoin his very interesting Annual Report :

TRACTS.

We printed last year, new :

	Copies
Are You Ready ? 32mo., 32 pages.....	3,000
Monument of the Judgment of God, 8vo., 32 pages.....	5,000
New Year's Wish, on colored paper, 32mo., 32 pages.....	4,000
1 package "Leaflets," on colored paper, from No. 1 to 8, each 8 pages, 32mo., packages.....	10,000
8 New Illustrated "Handbills".....	80,000
12 "Monthly Messengers," each.....	7,000
1 package of small Children's Books, with cover of two colors, 4 books, 32mo., each 48 pages.....	8,000

DISTRIBUTION IN THE YEAR 1869.

We printed Tracts, from 4 to 16 pages.....	141,000
On hand on the 31st December, 1868.....	388,000
Total.....	529,000
On hand December 17th, 1869.....	211,283
Tracts distributed in 1869.....	317,717
"Monthly Messengers" distributed.....	96,800
Traets and "Messengers" distributed in 1869.....	414,517
Illustrated Handbills.....	80,000
Children's Traets, 2,730 packages.....	60,060
Since the existence of our Society (1850) we have distributed 6,793,404 Tracts, 623,200 Illustrated Handbills, and 1,723,747 Children's Traets.	

BOOKS—NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Chronicles of an old Manor House, 8vo.....	1,000
Dr. Nast's Large Catechism.....	2,000
Sign-post to Heaven.....	2,000

We sold last year 15,458 books, 13,992 pamphlets, 17,384 children's books. We have sold since 1850 251,069 books, 311,909 pamphlets, and 131,000 children's books.

PERIODICALS.

"Evangelish," 4to., 8 pages, every two weeks, 3,700 subscribers; "Kinderfreund," 8vo., 4 pages, every two weeks, fine paper and illustrated, 3,000 copies; "Monthly Messenger," large 8vo., 7,000 copies; "Missionary Collector," 8vo., 8 pages, monthly, illustrated, 7,500 copies.

Our printing establishment is going on well. We have a small steam-engine for two printing-presses, which worked all the year, and sometimes till 10 o'clock P. M. We have stereotyped all our Tracts, and for Dr. Hurst, "Hagenbach's History of the Church," two volumes each, of nearly

500 pages. We employ in our printing establishment thirteen persons; in the book-bindery, twelve persons. Every morning, at 8 o'clock, all hands meet for morning service. The Lord has blessed us, and he will continue the work.

L. S. JACOBY, Agent.

The following, from Rev. Dr. Hurst, is a fitting appendix to this Report:

REV. D. WISE, D. D.:

DEAR BROTHER,—The year that is now closing furnishes no less evidence than the foregoing one of the usefulness of Tract distribution to the enlargement and consolidation of our work, and also of the light in which *all* our preachers regard it—as an indispensable auxiliary toward reaching the masses. A large part of the labor of our preachers consists in preaching in new places, where our Societies are either very small or barely organized as Societies, and tracts are distributed to awaken an interest and secure attendance. Appointments sometimes become such because of the previous tract distribution from house to house and in the market places. We have but one regular Colporteur in the Conference, but we do not regard paid colportage the most advisable plan, neither have we the money for that purpose. All our preachers act as tract distributors, and look upon the agency as requisite for the extension of our field. They have also been very successful in securing an interest among the laity to such an extent that many of our members throughout our Mission take great pleasure in distributing tracts, and there has been abundant proof that these efforts have been followed by good results.

As we have preaching places in those sections of Germany and Switzerland where emigration to America is very frequent, and tracts have been circulated as freely there as our friends would allow, we have every reason to believe that the good seed cast here has brought forth, and is still bringing forth, fruit among you. In the sea-ports of Bremen and Hamburg we have distributed tracts constantly, and our Tract House in Bremen has upon its catalogue some tracts for seamen that are very appropriate, and have been instrumental in doing a vast amount of good.

As, two centuries ago, when the Netherlands were the greatest colonizers in Europe, both in the East and West, it was found that the elements of Christian truth were borne in this humble way to distant lands, and the fruit is still visible, why should less be expected in this reading age from similar missives? The whole amount granted by your Society for our entire work could be advantageously used in the few sea-ports of the North German Confederation alone. But we do not ask this much—we only ask that you give us as large an appropriation as the necessities of our work justify. Less than we have had would require us to withdraw the aid we have been enabled, through your liberality, to grant needy portions of our field.

I need not tell you that tract collections are taken in our various charges, and that in each of our seven Conference Districts the appropriation granted by you is judiciously divided, so that each appointment is provided for according to the necessities of the case. In conclusion, I give you the following summary of the last Report adopted at our Conference session in Berlin, 1869:

Whereas, In the past year we have the most gratifying assurances of the success of tract distribution,

Resolved, 1. That in the coming year we use every effort in our power to distribute tracts among the masses.

2. That we preach sermons on the utility of this agency, and strive to increase the growing interest in the matter among our members.

3. That every preacher take special care to carry out the disciplinary regulation concerning the forming of auxiliary societies.

4. That more tracts be issued for the benefit of seamen.

5. That our thanks be tendered the Parent Society in New York for the appropriation of the past year, and we request, most earnestly, that the great necessities of our field be still regarded for the year before us.

Rev. Dr. Jacoby has very likely already communicated to you the Treasurer's Report. Yours truly,

J. F. HURST.

FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN, Dec. 27, 1869.

The Board appropriated \$1,000 for the current year.

CHINA.

The following letter and balance-sheet show what our brethren are doing with the grants of the Society in the "Flowery Land:"

REV. D. WISE, D. D.:

DEAR BROTHER: It becomes my duty to make a Report to the Tract Society, although Dr. Maelay has been the Secretary of the Committee during most of the year, and will immediately resume the position, as I am obliged to leave for the United States very soon on account of the failure of my wife's health.

The names of most of the publications charged in the accompanying account are familiar to you; I will mention only the new ones.

The "Almanac and Miscellany" is a useful little pamphlet, prepared by Brother Wheeler, and extensively circulated at the beginning of the year. When our Mission becomes stronger in its working force, it is to be hoped that some such publication may be issued annually.

The "Ten Essentials of Salvation" is an explanation of the requisites in the salvation of the soul, by Sia Sek Ong, one of the Elders recently ordained by Bishop Kingsley. The 7,000 copies printed have all been sold or distributed, and we are now putting through the press a new edition of 10,000 copies, of which 2,000 are designed for the use of Brother Gibson in his important mission on the Pacific coast.

"Daily Food" consists of verses of Scripture for each day in the year, with verses of hymns, much after the manner of such publications in America. It was prepared by Rev. S. F. Wooding, of the American Board Mission, and accepted by our Committee as one of our publications. The Anglo-Chinese hymns were, "Come, thou Fount of every blessing," "Am I a soldier of the cross?" and "O, how happy are they"—in Chinese and English. They were printed at Brother Gibson's request, and sent to him for use among the Chinese in California.

The "Astronomy" is a new work by Rev. N. Sites, of our Mission. It is intended as a primary work on that subject; is prepared in a very perspicuous style, and will tend to make an ordinarily intelligent reader speedily acquainted with the great facts of astronomy. The relation of the subject to the glory and power of God is not overlooked; and many appropriate passages of Scripture are quoted. It cannot fail to do good in helping to undermine the ridiculous superstitions of this people, and to lead them to truer ideas of God than they now possess. I send you by mail a copy of the work.

The Tract Society is doing a great and good work among the people of this province.

We again ask for an appropriation of \$1,200 in gold for the coming year. Every cent of it can be well used.

Hoping ere long to report to you in person, I will add no more now.
Very truly yours,

S. L. BALDWIN,

In behalf of China Com. Tract Society.

P. S. It ought to be mentioned that the "Astronomy" is to be *sold at cost*. It is fully expected that the Tract Society will thus be credited with an amount equal to what it has expended on it. The sum of \$18 was received from Rev. C. Hartwell, of the American Board Mission, a few days after the accounts for the year were closed, and will appear in next year's account to your credit.

FOOCHOW, Jan. 3, 1870.

S. L. B.

DR. Tract Society M. E. Church in account with Foochow Mission. CR.

1868.				1868.			
Nov. 30.	To 36 copies Comment. on Matt...	\$6 44		Oct. 1.	By balance from old account.....	\$587 32	
Dec. 31.	To 50 " John...	3 00		1869.			
	To 1,050 cop. Tract on Faith.....	189 50		Mar. 31.	By proceeds sales of books.....	1 56	
1869.					sale 500 copies Daily Food...	15 00	
Jan. 22.	Publishing 1,000 Annual Registers.	26 00		Sept 7.	" proceeds Brown Brothers &		
29.	" 5,000 Almanac & Miscel.	61 70			Co.'s draft No. 5,000, on		
Feb. 9.	" 52,000 Sunday Sheet....	62 00			Brown, Shipley & Co., for		
Mar. 17.	" 7,000 Ten Essentials..	86 33			£246 5 11 sold at Hongkong	1,086 44	
Apr. 17.	" 4,000 Daily Food.....	125 92					
June 30.	" 20,000 Sunday Sheets....	23 08					
	" 5,000 Trimetrical Classic	44 41					
July 31.	" 9,000 Anglo-Chin. Hymns.	12 00			Audited and found correct.		
	" 10,040 Christian Manual.	123 00					
	" 5,976 Hymn books....	296 34			W. S. MACLAY.		
Dec. 31.	" 5,007 Trimet. Classic....	41 09			FOOCHOW, Jan. 4, 1870.		
	" 1,489 Sites's Astronomy	153 14			S. L. BALDWIN.		
	" Colporteur in Hok-Chi-				FOOCHOW, Dec. 31, 1869.		
	ang 2 months.....	4 00					
	" 100 cop. Com. on Eph..	5 00					
	" Balance to new ac't....	427 37					
		\$1,690 32					\$1,690 32

This communication will be acted upon by the Board at its April meeting. What friend of Christ will say that the request of the brethren for a further appropriation of \$1,200 in gold should be refused?

SWEDEN.

The following letter shows what we did for Sweden, and what our brethren there are doing with the appropriations made for their work by our Society:

GOTTENBURG, Nov. 19, 1869

REV. D. WISE, D. D. :

DEAR BROTHER: Feeling very thankful to God for his mercy toward us in the Mission during the past year, and especially for the aid which we obtained through you from the Tract Society for the publication of necessary books and tracts in this country, I will now write you a few lines, and give you a short exhibit how we have used those means which you so kindly granted us, and what we need for next year in order to carry on, in a small measure, what we have so happily been enabled to commence. And first let me tell you that we have already begun to reap the fruit of the seed sown; for those tracts which, by your aid, we have been enabled to publish, have proved a great blessing to our friends, and of incalculable value in removing prejudices from those who looked upon us with every-thing else but friendly feelings.

We obtained, as you remember, \$280 in gold from the Tract Society, and these means I have tried to use in the most judicious manner that I knew, and I only wish that our mission will be granted the same amount for next year too. Our Mission, to be gloriously successful, must, from time to time, publish such books and tracts as will counteract the bad influence of the very loose and erroneous religious literature which generally prevails in this country, as well as the deadly poison of French infidelity, German and Parkerian rationalism, which as a deluge have for years overflowed this country, and almost totally destroyed the so-called better classes. And, in order to be enabled to continue what we by God's grace have commenced, I would ask you, and through you the managers of the Tract Society, to give us for next year the same amount as we had this, namely, \$280 in gold, and I do hope and pray that it may be granted.

We have published during the year the following books and tracts, namely:

The Lord our Righteousness, sermon of J. Wesley, 2,000 copies..	\$15 68
Hymns for the Sunday-School, translation, 3,000 copies.....	31 36
What is Methodism? Tract, 1,000 copies.....	8 40
Love-Feast Tickets, 2,000 copies.....	11 20
Christian Perfection. Fietcher, 2,000 copies.....	116 00
Reasons for Becoming a Methodist. Now in press.....	
Total.....	\$182 64

The book now in press will be ready by Christmas, and will probably cost about \$140, so that we have also expended in publications, when we have paid this latter one, about \$322 64. We have also published 2,000 copies of our little monthly Methodist paper, "Lilla Sandebudet," and I have the great joy to tell you that it has paid its way the first year, and will leave enough over to pay for the balance which our publications have cost more than the \$280. But these moneys which we have spent in publications will not be lost. They will flow in again and increase, as the books will be sold; but it will of course take time, and therefore I must reiterate my above expressed request for \$280 for next year too. . . .

If the Tract Society would give us a grant of books and tracts in Swedish it would be very useful to us, and very acceptable. The books which are published in America in Swedish come so high here that they cannot be sold; but if at least their half value could be given us, we could sell a good many. If this can be done I shall be very glad indeed.

The Lord is with us in raising money in all our Missions, and in our Sunday-schools. In Carlskrona there are twenty-six children converted to God, and they are organized into two classes for class-meetings, and in all our Sunday-schools are children converted.

Remember me in your prayers.

Yours truly,

V. WITTING, *Superintendent.*

The Board granted the \$280 gold, as requested by Mr. Witting.

TRACT AGENTS.

Black River Conference.....	Rev. J. Austin.
Philadelphia ".....	" S. W. Thomas.
Nebraska ".....	" F. M. Shinn.
Rock River ".....	" E. W. Adams.
St. Louis ".....	" S. G. Griffis.
Wyoming ".....	" M. Swallow.

GRANTS.

The whole number of grants in 1869 was 1,577. These grants were distributed over the territory of 69 Conferences.

CONCLUSION.

With these facts before him the reader can see the breadth of the field we occupy, and the amount of the labor we perform. His judgment respecting the latter must be modified by considering that the Tract Society represents a policy marked out for it by the General Conference. It is not a voluntary institution, free to form its own plans of action independently of any higher authority. Its sphere and work are fixed by the Discipline, and it must revolve within the former, and limit its action to the latter. Hence its appointed function is to enact the part of an auxiliary to the itinerancy in one department of Christian work—this circulation of our Church literature. The *principal* Agents in this work are the traveling preachers. On them the Church has placed the chief responsibility for its performance. *This Society is simply their helper.* This is, and must continue to be, its distinctive function until the policy of the Church on this point is authoritatively changed by the General Conference. Now we claim that the Tract Society amply fulfills this purpose. Its plans of action offer every possible facility to the ministry, both at home and abroad, for tract circulation. Were the co-operation of the ministry equal to the facilities we have provided, tract circulation would attain a point eminently satisfactory to the most zealous lover of this indispensable branch of modern Christian work. May the Head of the Church incline our pastors to so use the means we proffer as to engage our whole people in this delightful service, and to make the printed truth as omnipresent as the population of the land!

BLANKS FOR MAKING APPLICATIONS FOR AID TO THE TRACT SOCIETY.

For the Pastor or Tract Committee on a (Home) Mission,
TO THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE TRACT SOCIETY:

..... appointment Conference is a mission. We request the Tract Society to grant us *five dollars'* worth of * for circulation in the charge.

..... Pastor, or
..... Chairman of Tract Committee.

Blank for a Self-supporting Church.

TO THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF TRACT SOCIETY:

Being desirous of circulating tracts on appointment Conference, we request a grant of dollars' worth of Tracts and copies of Good News. We pledge ourselves that the charge shall give the Society a collection during the year, and we will endeavor to make the collection more than sufficient to cover the cost of the grant applied for.

..... Pastor, or
..... Chairman of Tract Committee.

Blank for Application for Premium on the Purchase of Books.

The undersigned, sending \$15 to the Book Agents for the purchase of books to be used as a loan and gift library in the Methodist Episcopal Church at requests that "The Earnest Christian's Library" be added to the purchase, according to the offer of the Tract Society.

..... Pastor, or
..... Chairman of Tract Committee.

* Tracts or Good News, as may be preferred by the applicant.

RECEIPTS BY CONFERENCES.

Conferences.	New York.	Cincin.	San Fran.	Phila.	Chicago.	Boston.	Buffalo.	Pittsb'gh.	St. Louis.	Total.
Alabama.....										\$276 50
Baltimore.....	\$244 00			\$32 50						258 45
Black River..	258 45									120 80
California....	5 00		\$115 80							31 10
Can. German..		\$31 10								295 33
Can. Illinois..	3 00				\$292 33					479 76
Can. N. York..	479 76									105 82
Central Ohio..		105 82								298 90
Central Penn..	258 50			40 40						265 95
Cincinnati....	7 00	258 95								22 25
Colorado.....	7 00				15 25					19 40
Delaware.....				19 40						77 87
Des Moines..					77 87				\$10 00	32 54
Detroit.....	159 39				32 54					191 73
East Genesee..	254 90									254 90
East German..	22 90									22 90
East Maine....	4 50					\$145 98				150 48
Erie.....	580 07						\$33 89			613 96
Genesee.....	8 00						170 80			178 80
Georgia.....										
Holston.....		10 00								10 00
Illinois.....	30 60				22 95				319 45	373 00
Indiana.....		141 26								141 26
Iowa.....		10 62			35 85					178 62
Kansas.....									105 80	105 80
Kentucky.....		1 00								1 00
Lexington....										
Louisiana.....	19 50									19 50
Maine.....	3 00					20 72				23 72
Michigan.....					162 95					162 95
Minnesota....					96 75					96 75
Mississippi....										
Missouri.....									67 15	67 15
Nebraska.....									14 45	14 45
Nevada.....	5 00									5 00
Newark.....	815 37									815 37
New England..						445 99				445 99
N. Hampshire..	1 10					257 37				258 47
New Jersey....	78 13			709 76						787 89
New York.....	1,304 16									1,304 16
New York East	1,395 07									1,395 07
N. Carolina....	1 50									1 50
N. Indiana....	5 01	133 09								138 10
North Ohio....		199 58								199 58
N. W. German..					227 39					227 39
N. W. Indiana..		80 25			2 40					82 65
Ohio.....		287 23								287 23
Oregon.....	98 96									98 96
Philadelphia..	9 00									9 00
Pittsburgh....	12 00							\$467 66		479 66
Providence....	30 27					443 98				474 25
Rock River....					526 99					526 99
S. Carolina....										
S. E. Indiana..		198 79								198 79
S. Illinois.....									226 61	226 61
S. W. German..					95 42					95 42
St. Louis.....									67 60	67 60
Tennessee....		12 75								12 75
Texas.....										
Troy.....										
Upper Iowa..	717 08									717 08
Vermont.....	12 50				256 96					256 96
Virginia.....	1 50					189 33				201 83
Washington....	74 52									1 50
West Virginia	1 50	58 40								74 52
W. Wisconsin..					90 25					59 90
Wilmington...				393 21						90 25
Wisconsin.....					264 60					393 21
Wyoming.....	282 88									264 60
Sundries.....	62 50	5 00								282 88
										67 50
	\$7,253 62	1,533 84	115 80	1,195 27	2,200 30	1,503 37	204 69	467 66	943 21	15,417 76

TRANSFER OF FUNDS.

Received from J. P. Magee.....	\$1,165 44
“ “ E. Thomas.....	115 80
“ “ J. Horner.....	540 02
“ “ B. St. James Fry.....	1,000 00
“ “ H. H. Otis.....	500 00
“ “ W. R. Marlay	3,302 97
	<u>\$6,624 23</u>

DR.—TO CASH PAID SUNDRIES, VIZ.:

Paid Carlton & Lanahan's bill, grants.....	\$4,696 38
Paid bill of exchange for C. Willerup.....	359 58
Paid bill of exchange for China.	1,648 50
Paid Carlton and Lanahan's bill, grants.....	2,989 79
“ “ “ “ “	925 21
Paid two drafts, L. S. Jacoby.....	750 00
Paid Carlton and Lanahan's bill, grants.....	3,763 48
	<u>\$15,132 94</u>
Bills paid by J. M. Walden, Tr. Finance Committee at Cincinnati.....	1,772 32
Bills paid by J. P. Magee, Tr. Finance Committee at Boston..	\$834 75
Cash transferred to Treasurer at New York.....	1,165 44
	<u>2,000 19</u>
Bills paid by W. R. Marlay, Tr. Finance Committee at Chicago	\$1,470 06
Cash transferred to Treasurer at New York.....	3,302 97
	<u>4,773 03</u>
Bills paid by J. Horner, Tr. Finance Committee at Pittsburgh.	\$67 92
Cash transferred to Treasurer at New York.....	540 02
	<u>607 94</u>
Bills paid by H. H. Otis, Tr. Finance Committee at Buffalo....	\$53 85
Cash transferred to Treasurer at New York	500 00
	<u>553 85</u>
Bills paid by B. St. James Fry, Tr. Finance Com. at St. Louis..	\$467 98
Cash transferred to Treasurer at New York.....	1,000 00
	<u>1,467 98</u>

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Receipts by Treasurer at New York in 1869.....	\$7,253 62	
“ by J. M. Walden, Cincinnati, “.....	1,533 84	
“ by E. Thomas, San Francisco “.....	115 80	
“ by J. P. Magee, Boston, “.....	1,503 37	
“ by W. R. Marlay, Chicago, “.....	2,200 30	
“ by J. Horner, Pittsburgh, “.....	467 66	
“ by H. H. Otis, Buffalo, “.....	204 69	
“ by B. St. James Fry, St. Louis, “.....	943 21	
“ by S. W. Thomas, Philadelphia, “.....	1,195 27	
Total receipts in 1869.....		\$15,417 76
Balance with Treasurer, January 1, 1869.....	444 17	
“ with J. M. Walden, “.....	992 27	
“ with J. P. Magee, “.....	540 44	
“ with W. R. Marlay, “.....	3,594 15	
“ with J. Horner, “.....	124 88	
“ with H. H. Otis, “.....	344 25	
“ with B. St. James Fry, “.....	607 51	
	6,647 67	
Less amount overpaid by Treasurer at Philadelphia.....	22 43	
		6,625 24
		\$22,043 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

By the Treasurer, for grants in 1869.....	\$15,132 94	
By J. M. Walden, “.....	1,772 32	
By J. P. Magee, “.....	834 75	
By W. R. Marlay, “.....	1,470 06	
By J. Horner, “.....	67 92	
By H. H. Otis, “.....	53 85	
By B. St. Jas. Fry, “.....	467 98	
By S. W. Thomas, “.....	431 51	
Total disbursements.....		20,231 33
		\$1,811 67

State of the Treasury, January 1, 1870.

Balance in Treasury at Cincinnati.....	\$753 79	
“ “ Boston.....	43 62	
“ “ Chicago.....	1,021 42	
“ “ St. Louis.....	82 74	
“ “ Philadelphia.....	741 33	
		\$2,642 90
Overpaid at New York.....	\$810 92	
“ Buffalo.....	4 91	
“ Pittsburgh.....	15 40	
		831 23
		\$1,811 67

AUDITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Examined and found correct.

W. H. DIKEMAN,
IRA PEREGO, JR.,

New York, January 12, 1870.

Auditing Committee.

Alabama Conf.	Lowville.....	\$3 00	Scriba.....	\$6 00	Berwick.....	\$15 00	
Elmore.....	\$1 00	Depauville.....	6 00	Port Byron.....	2 00	Carlisle.....	4 95
Decatur.....	15 00			Marcy and Schuy- ler.....	4 50	Waynesboro.....	3 75
Huntsville.....	50 00	\$130 85		Northwestern.....	5 25	Malisterville.....	7 00
Decatur.....	15 00	California Conf.		South Onondaga.....	3 00	Glen Rock.....	5 00
Prairie Bluff.....	10 00	Columbia and So- nora.....	\$5 00	Homerville.....	2 25	Carlisle.....	3 00
Lower Ala. Dis.....	25 00	Can. German Conf.		Union Springs.....	8 81	Bowling Springs.....	1 50
Huntsville Dis.....	25 00	Race-street, Cin.....	\$3 00	Clockville.....	1 00	Bowling Springs.....	3 34
Scottsborough.....	10 00	Cleveland.....	5 00	Central Square.....	2 00	Lewistown.....	4 05
Limestone.....	15 00	Grand Rapids.....	3 00	North Bay.....	2 25	Lewistown.....	5 00
	\$166 00	Vernillion.....	5 00	Ontario.....	5 00	Sunbury.....	5 00
Baltimore Conf.		Alleghany City.....	5 00	Ames.....	4 50	Hazleton.....	2 70
Bladensburgh Ct.....	\$6 50	Alleghany City.....	5 00	Belgium Circuit.....	4 25	Lima.....	5 00
Havre de Grace.....	7 00			Mexico.....	5 00	Concord.....	2 50
Westminster Ct.....	6 50	\$26 00		Orwell.....	6 38	York.....	5 00
Harford Av. Bal.....	5 00	Can. Illinois Conf.		Baldwinsville.....	2 82	New Bloomfield.....	5 00
Frederick City.....	10 00	Moline.....	\$16 87	Ledyard.....	3 75		\$168 95
Wesley Chapel.....		Kewanee.....	2 00	Weedsport.....	5 00	Cincinnati Conf.	
Washington.....	5 00	Topeka.....	3 00	First Ch., Utica.....	1 54	Middletown.....	\$18 40
Mechanic-town.....	6 50	Wyanet.....	1 11	Canastota.....	7 00	Urbana.....	1 40
Green Mount Av.....		Galesburg.....	8 00	Cornhill Church, Utica.....	3 75	Morris Chap., Cin.....	10 00
Mission, Balt.....	15 00	(Chicago, (Swede)	3 50	Skaneateles.....	4 80	Dayton.....	5 00
Sailors' City Beth- el, Baltimore.....	25 00	Chicago, (Swede)	3 50	Vernon.....	5 00	Blanchard.....	5 00
Logan.....	5 00	Amboy.....	3 00			Cin. Hospital.....	3 00
Liberty Circuit.....	40 00	Victoria.....	4 75	\$200 80		Mt. Washington.....	2 13
East Baltimore.....	10 00	Hallock.....	5 00	Can. Ohio Conf.		Hillsboro.....	3 00
Seamen's Bethel, Baltimore.....	50 00	Monmouth.....	2 00	Bass Island.....	\$5 00	Middletown.....	0 60
Baltimore Bethel.....	10 00	Bath.....	5 00	Tremont Circuit.....	5 00	Cincinnati.....	1 00
Lauraville.....	5 00	First Swede Ch., Chicago.....	5 00	Bass Island.....	5 00	Cincinnati.....	1 00
East Baltimore.....	6 00	Iroquois.....	5 00	Cairo.....	2 00	Widows' Home.....	1 75
Union Square Ch., Baltimore.....	3 00	Altona.....	2 50	Napoleon.....	2 00	Springfield.....	5 00
Mission Work, Baltimore.....	5 00	Roselle.....	1 05	Phaenonton.....	10 00	Cin. Hospital.....	5 50
Madison Avenue, Baltimore.....	15 50	Bushnell.....	3 00	Sylvania Circuit.....	3 00	".....	10 00
	\$236 00	Wenona.....	3 00	Kossuth.....	5 00	".....	6 25
Black River Conf.		Hennepin.....	18 75	Sylvania Circuit.....	2 00	Harrison.....	2 00
Copenhagen.....	\$2 50	Brimfield.....	1 87	Sylvania Circuit.....	6 30	Middletown.....	3 00
Martinsburgh.....	4 80	Eugene.....	1 00	Toledo.....	5 00	Pine-street Miss., Cincinnati.....	5 00
North Lawrence.....	1 50	Warren.....	3 00	Sylvania Circuit.....	1 70	West Wood.....	5 00
Black River.....	4 50	Sparland.....	15 00	Sylvania Circuit.....	6 00	Wesley Chapel, Cincinnati.....	5 00
Massena.....	13 50	Hudson.....	7 50	Goshen.....	1 75	Manchester.....	6 00
Rodman.....	3 50	Altoona.....	1 50			Pearl-street, Cin.....	5 00
Black River.....	4 50	Galva.....	4 50	Can. Penna. Conf.		Yellow Springs.....	3 00
Clayton.....	2 25	New Boston.....	4 80	Gettysburgh.....	\$4 50	High-street, Cin.....	3 00
Barnes' Corners.....	4 80	Roseville.....	6 75	Price Ch'pel, Will- iamsport.....	7 50	Loveland.....	5 00
Hermont.....	6 00			Berwick.....	15 00	Pine-street Miss., Cincinnati.....	2 40
Watertown.....	1 00	Central N. Y. Conf.		Concord.....	2 00	J. S. Morgan.....	8 83
Vernillion.....	7 50	Union Springs.....	\$1 20	Chambersburgh.....	10 00	John Freeman.....	5 00
Depeyster.....	4 50	Canastota.....	4 50	Pine-street Ch'eh, Williamsport.....	10 00	Bazar Mission.....	5 00
Malone.....	8 00	Knoxborough.....	1 50	M'Connellsburch Circuit.....	4 00	Mrs. Bishop Clark.....	5 00
Montagne Center & Salmon Riv.....	1 50	First Ch., Utica.....	5 00	Elysburch.....	6 89	Carr-st., Cin.....	5 00
Clifton and St. Claire Mission.....	13 00	Holmesville.....	3 00	Bedford.....	9 00	Springfield.....	5 00
Watertown.....	14 25	Oswego.....	6 50	Curwensville.....	1 50	Wesley Webster.....	5 00
North Potsdam.....	2 00	Ilion.....	22 50	Mechanicsburgh.....	2 00		
Antwerp.....	11 00	New Haven.....	11 25	Concord.....	2 50	Colorado Conf.	
Ogdensburgh.....	11 25	Y. M. C. Associa- tion, Oswego.....					

Delaware Conf.		First Church, El-	Sharon and Hul-	Indiana Conference.	
Centerville.....	\$4 95	mira.....	bard Mission... \$5 00	Waverley.....	\$3 00
Centerville.....	1 00	Walworth and	Wheatland Cir... 8 04	Cannelton.....	10 05
	\$5 95	Hall's Center... 3 45	Richmond..... 6 00	Mt. Vernon.....	2 60
		Lima.....	Dayton..... 2 00	Lanesville.....	3 00
			Jefferson..... 7 85	Lanesville.....	5 00
			Titusville..... 11 25	Greencastle.....	5 00
			Kirtland..... 2 00	Morgantown.....	5 00
			Greensburg..... 6 75	Bloomington.....	5 00
					\$38 65
Des Moines Conf.		East German Conf.		Iowa Conference.	
Des Moines.....	\$8 00	Hartford.....	\$5 00	Vernon.....	\$8 00
Sioux City.....	3 75	Twelfth-street		Lyndenville.....	3 00
Second Church,		Chapel, N. Y... 2 00		Marengo.....	2 75
Council Bluffs..	7 50	Second-street		Centerville.....	5 00
Elk Point Ct....	3 00	Chapel, N. Y... 10 00		Mt. Pleasant.....	7 00
Sidney.....	2 00	Girard Avenue,		Wapello.....	1 20
Iowa Center.....	5 00	Philadelphia... 2 08		Stallapolis.....	0 75
West Dayton.....	5 00	John Wesley, Phil. 5 10		Wilton.....	3 00
Collier Lake.....	5 00			Agency City.....	1 50
Sioux City.....	5 00			Fairfield.....	3 50
Parry.....	8 00			Hopewell.....	5 00
Winterset.....	5 00			Centerville.....	2 00
Peterson.....	5 00			Bellefontaine.....	5 00
Harlan.....	5 00			Salem.....	5 00
Fort Dodge.....	5 00			Croton.....	3 00
Montana.....	3 75			Jerome.....	2 03
Corning.....	7 50				\$57 73
Ohio.....	2 6				
Franklin.....	1 50				
Sidney.....	3 75				
Ohio.....	2 40				
	\$88 75				
Detroit Conference.		East Maine Conf.		Kansas Conference.	
Oxford.....	\$20 00	Bucksport.....	\$1 50	Seneca and Cen-	
Pontiac.....	8 00	Harrington.....	1 50	tralia.....	\$4 95
Midland City.....	6 00	Castine.....	1 50	Topeka.....	10 00
Negaunee.....	5 00	Winterport.....	1 50	Junction City.....	13 75
Richmond.....	5 00	Northport.....	3 00	Hiawatha.....	7 50
Tawas.....	9 50	Round Pond.....	3 00	Humboldt.....	10 00
Port Huron.....	10 00	Camden.....	2 40	Shawnee.....	3 00
South Saginaw...	6 00	Topfield.....	4 50	Vernillion Circuit	10 00
Hazleton.....	5 00	West Eden.....	7 50	Emporia.....	5 00
Belleville.....	5 00	Garland, etc.....	7 50	Ameyus.....	1 50
Ausable.....	3 75	Belfast.....	4 80	Grantville.....	5 00
Mount Morris...	9 00	Winterport.....	4 50	Baldwin City.....	10 00
Fairfield.....	4 53	Bucksport.....	6 00	Verdi.....	5 00
Bay City.....	3 00	Harrington.....	1 50	Fort Scott.....	5 90
South Saginaw...	3 00	Friendship.....	3 00	Crawfordsville...	5 00
Perry.....	3 36	Dresden Mills...	3 00	White Cloud.....	2 40
Wenona.....	9 00	Columbia Falls...	6 50	Big Hill.....	0 75
Oakville.....	2 00	Winslow.....	3 00	Fairview.....	1 13
Fairfield.....	2 75	Pittston.....	2 00	Leavenworth.....	6 00
New Boston.....	9 00	Eastport.....	5 00	Hartford.....	4 50
Flushing.....	4 50	Wiscasset.....	2 00	Dayton.....	1 50
Detroit.....	4 50	N. Waldoboro... 5 00		Winchester.....	3 60
Clayton.....	0 23	Machias.....	3 00	Cottonwood Falls.	3 90
Wenona.....	3 00	Oldtown.....	8 00	Effingham.....	3 00
Fowlerville.....	15 00	Orono.....	10 00	Spring Hill.....	6 00
Mackinaw Island.	6 00	Lincoln.....	3 50		
New Boston.....	1 00	Windor.....	2 00		
	\$163 42	Searsmont.....	1 00		
		Round Pond.....	5 00		
		Georgia.....	2 00		
		Southwestern...	5 00		
		Dresden.....	2 50		
		Northport.....	2 00		
		Clinton.....	3 75		
			\$186 95		
		Erie Conference.		Illinois Conference.	
		Sunville.....	\$5 00	Manchester.....	\$12 50
		Geneva.....	3 00	Lima.....	12 00
		Linesville.....	2 50	Mendon.....	7 50
		Chagrin Falls... 5 00		Mt. Pleasant Ct.. 5 00	
		Kenzua.....	6 00	Salem.....	3 00
		Newburgh.....	15 00	Oneida.....	2 00
		Hammondsburgh.	7 50	Augusta.....	1 00
		Canfield.....	8 25	Decatur.....	20 00
		Conneautville...	1 50	Chesterfield.....	2 00
		Clintonville.....	5 00	Champaigne City.	5 00
		Vienna & Brook-		Le Roy.....	5 00
		field.....	6 75	Virden.....	1 13
		Kenzua.....	5 00	Mt. Sterling.....	7 50
		Richmond.....	6 00	Springfield.....	2 25
		Dayton.....	2 00	Decatur.....	1 50
		Jefferson.....	7 85	Normal.....	7 50
		Titusville.....	11 25	Topeka.....	7 50
		Kirtland.....	2 00	Nilwood.....	2 15
		Greensburg.....	6 75	Camargo.....	12 00
				Pawnee.....	3 00
				Lynnville.....	9 00
				Manchester.....	3 00
				Carlville.....	4 40
				Decatur.....	10 00
				Jacksonville.....	4 00
				Greenfield.....	5 00
				Petersburg.....	5 25
				Normal.....	5 40
					\$165 58
				Kentucky Conf.	
				Ashland.....	\$5 00
				Covington.....	5 00
				Magoffin Circuit..	3 00
				Crab Orchard.....	5 00
				Wolf Creek.....	2 50
				Coalton Circuit... 5 00	
				Mayville.....	3 00
				Glasgow.....	5 00
				Louisville.....	5 00
					\$38 50
				Lexington Conf.	
				Lexington.....	\$4 85
				Louisiana Conf.	
				New Orleans.....	\$1 00
				New Orleans Dist	106 10
				Baton Rouge.....	10 00

New Orleans.....	\$1 56	Melrose.....	\$5 00	Simpson Church,		East Pepperell...	\$3 00
New Orleans.....	50 00	St. Cloud.....	5 00	Hudson City...	\$5 00	Chelsea, Mt. Bell-	
Baton Rouge Dist.	25 00	Cannon Falls....	1 50	Whippany.....	1 50	ingham.....	4 39
Thomson Univ'ry.	25 00	Garden City.....	3 00	Belvidere.....	7 00	Chelsea, Walnut-	
Orphan's Home...	25 00	Anokna.....	0 75	West End, Hud-		street.....	18 43
Opelousas Dist...	15 00	Indiana.....	7 50	son City.....	7 50	Camp Meetings,	
Baton Rouge....	10 00	Shakopee.....	5 00	Stapleton, S.I...	2 50	Hamilton & Ster-	
		Owatonna.....	5 00	Whippany.....	5 00	ling.....	33 55
\$268 66		Northfield.....	3 00	Emory Church,		Boston, Meriden-	
Maine Conference.		Harrison.....	4 50	Hudson City...	15 00	street Church...	7 30
Maryland Ridge..	3 50	Le Sueur.....	3 00	New Vernon....	5 75	Lowell, St. Paul's	4 50
Skowhegan.....	1 50	Glencoe.....	3 00	Godwinsville...	10 00	" Cent'l Ch.	4 50
Forest Av., P't'd	5 00	Watertown.....	5 00	Andover.....	7 00	" Mission...	2 00
Congress-st., P't'd	7 50	Sauk Center.....	5 00	Newark City Mis.	48 25	" Worth-st.	5 00
Kezar Falls.....	4 50	Osakis.....	5 00	Englewood.....	5 00	Melrose.....	2 00
Kent's Hill.....	3 00	Cannon Falls....	4 50	Whitehall.....	6 50	Holliston.....	5 00
Salem.....	1 50		\$149 83	Otisville.....	4 50	Chicopee.....	1 54
North Auburn...	5 00	Mississippi Conf.		Rahway.....	5 00	Winchendon....	2 50
Saco.....	4 00	Holly Springs...	\$50 00	Springfield....	6 75	Coleraine.....	3 50
Goodwin's Mills..	2 50	Jackson District.	50 00	Somerville.....	4 95	Hopkinton.....	1 50
Augusta.....	6 00	Holly Springs		Cross Roads....	4 95	Chicopee Falls...	5 00
East Rumford...	7 50	District.....	25 00	Succasunna....	7 50	Swampscott....	5 00
Skowhegan.....	5 00	Tupelo.....	10 00	Elizabethport...	13 00	Shrewsbury....	2 00
Newfield.....	2 50	Canton.....	10 00	Hedding Church,		Boston, Grace Ch.	2 50
Cape Eliz. Ferry.	7 44	Columbus.....	10 00	Jersey City....	5 00	" Highland	
Kent's Hill.....	3 00	Oxford.....	10 00	Ladentown and		Church.....	1 60
Portland Mission.	6 00	Okolona.....	10 00	Suffern.....	10 00	Boston, Tremont-	
Portland Bethel..	2 00	Jackson.....	15 00	Newton.....	35 00	street.....	3 30
Cape Eliz. Depot.	3 00	Corinth.....	10 00	Hibernia.....	9 50	Worcester, Park-	
Gardiner.....	1 50		\$200 00	Stapleton.....	2 50	street.....	2 00
		Missouri Conference.		Greenville.....	4 95	Oxford.....	3 70
		Marshfield.....	\$5 00	Cokesbury.....	5 00	Lynn, Common-st	1 20
		Keyesville.....	5 00	Madison.....	5 00	" St. Paul's..	2 77
		Maryville.....	5 00	Millbrook.....	3 00	Gloucester.....	2 70
		Shelbyville....	2 00	Kingwood.....	3 00	Peabody.....	40
		Glasgow.....	3 00	Millstone.....	4 50	Seamen's Bethel,	
		St. Catharine...	6 00	Somerville.....	12 00	Father Taylor,	
		Milan.....	2 00	Franklin.....	7 50	for distribution	
		Utica.....	3 00	Alpine.....	4 95	among Seamen.	29 42
		St. John.....	5 00	Pallsades.....	3 00	For distribution in	
		Rockport.....	8 00	Morristown....	5 00	the Jail and other	
		Louisiana.....	3 00	Hackensack....	7 00	Institu's, Bost'n	17 56
		St. Charles....	3 00	St. Paul's Mission		Boston, North End	
		Bancroft.....	5 00	School, Jersey		Mission.....	34 00
		Savannah.....	3 00	City.....	11 25	Boston, S'th End	
		Athens.....	1 50	Newark.....	52 60	Mission.....	3 00
		Lagrange.....	3 00	Franquillity...	3 00	Boston, Bromfield-	
		Alexandria....	1 50	Washington....	12 00	street Mission..	7 52
		Bucklin.....	5 00	Lafayette.....	2 00		\$301 52
		Mt. Moriah....	3 00	Centenary Church		N. Hampshire Conf.	
		Oregon.....	3 35	Newark.....	3 00	Portsmouth....	\$5 00
			\$75 38	Stapleton.....	2 50	Hampton.....	4 50
		Nebraska Conf.		Phillipsburgh...	3 00	Bow and Hookset	3 00
		Silver Creek....	\$5 00	Verona.....	5 00	East Fenton....	2 00
		West Point....	3 56		\$482 70	Plymouth.....	1 50
		Elder Grove....	3 00	New England Conf.		North Haverhill..	1 50
		Milford.....	3 00	Lunenburg.....	\$4 95	Auburn.....	1 50
		Swan City.....	5 00	Princeton.....	1 50	Bath.....	1 50
		Fremont.....	5 00	Buckland.....	4 50	Laconia.....	1 50
			\$24 56	Methuen.....	3 00	Manchester.....	1 50
		Nevada Conference.		Townsend.....	1 50	Seabrook.....	1 50
		Hamilton, Elko, &		Coleraine.....	1 50	Hillsboro' Bridge	1 50
		Winnemucken..	\$15 00	Montgomery....	1 50	Lawrence, Haver-	
		White Pine.....	5 00	Coehuitate.....	1 50	hill-st.....	1 50
			\$20 00	Peabody.....	1 50	Lawrence Mission	11 25
		Newark Conference.		Hopkinton.....	1 50	Salem Depot....	3 00
		Newark.....	\$55 00	E. Cambridge...	1 50	Hinsdale.....	7 50
		Forestburgh....	3 50	Holyoke.....	1 50	Milan Corner....	3 60
		Asbury, Staten I.	1 50	Newton.....	1 50	Piermont.....	4 80
		Bethel Church,		S. Hadley Falls..	3 00	North Salem....	5 00
		Staten Island..	22 50	Chicopee Falls..	1 50	Hill.....	3 00
		Plainfield.....	3 00	Webster.....	15 00	Snaccook.....	7 50
				Dorchester....	3 00	Warren.....	7 50
				Bernardston....	2 25	Center Sandwich.	3 75
				Townsend.....	7 50	Methuen.....	4 50
				Lynn, Maple-st..	3 75	Henniker.....	2 00
				Lowell Jail....	3 75	Landaff.....	2 00
				Woburn.....	6 59	North Haverhill.	2 00

Manchester.....	\$6 50	Salem.....	\$12 16	Fordham.....	\$3 00	York-st. Chnreh,	
Hudson.....	0 90	Penn's Grove....	0 46	For distribution		Brooklyn.....	\$10 00
Rindge.....	5 00	Clarksborough...	5 25	in Harlem.....	1 50	St. John's Church,	
Beth.....	2 50	Bordentown.....	5 00	Purdy's Station..	5 00	Brooklyn.....	1 02
Center Ossipee...	5 34	Sharptown.....	3 00	Hillside and North-		John-st. Church,	
Wilmot.....	2 00	Somer's Point.....	5 00	side.....	4 50	N. Y.....	15 00
Landaff.....	2 00	Camden.....	5 50	Amenia Union Ch.	1 50	Westbrook.....	4 75
Grantham.....	4 00	Salem.....	6 00	St. Paul's Church,		Sands-st. Church,	
Milan, etc.....	5 00	Palmyra.....	2 00	N. Y.....	2 50	Brooklyn.....	5 00
Bristol.....	3 00	Mt. Holly.....	5 00	New Milford....	5 00	Embury Ch. Miss.,	
Rochester.....	6 50	Mauricetown....	3 00	South Third-st.,		Brooklyn.....	4 95
Manchester, 1st Ch	2 00	Bethel.....	5 00	Williamsburgh.	10 00	Milford.....	10 05
Plymouth.....	3 50	Trenton.....	5 00	Coeyman's.....	4 00	Patchogue.....	4 50
Moultonborough..	0 50	Vincennes.....	10 00	Shrub Oaks.....	10 00	Milford.....	5 00
Loudon.....	2 00	Lambertville....	5 00	Morrisania.....	5 00	Westport.....	4 50
Londonderry.....	2 00	Vineland.....	1 20	Duane Ch., N. Y.	10 00	Milford.....	5 00
		Clayton.....	5 00	Forty-fourth-st.		Whitestone.....	7 50
		Trenton.....	10 00	Church, N. Y..	8 00	New Milford....	5 00
	\$148 14			Central Ch., N. Y.	30 00	Waterbury.....	19 50
New Jersey Conf.			\$409 15	Bedford.....	4 95	West Farms....	7 50
Tom's River.....	\$3 00	New York Conf.		City Mission, N.Y	10 00	Willett-st. Church,	
Dover Chapel....	4 95	St. John's Church,		12th-st. Mis., N.Y.	15 00	N. Y.....	5 00
Milltown.....	12 50	N. Y.....	\$3 00	St. James, King-		Hunter's Point..	15 50
Dover Chapel....	4 95	1st Ch. Peekskill.	3 05	ston.....	1 00	Union Depot....	0 75
Trenton.....	5 00	Duane Ch., N. Y..	5 00	Garrison.....	15 00	Westville.....	5 00
Chambersburgh &		Coxsackie.....	4 95	Wash'ton Square		City Mission, N.Y.	10 00
Trenton.....	4 95	St. Paul's Ch. N.Y.	4 13	Ch., N. Y.....	20 00	Southport.....	4 50
Long Branch, Cen-		Central Ch. Mis.		City Missions, N.Y	45 00	Forestville.....	1 50
tenary Church...	25 00	School, N. Y....	15 00	Kingston.....	2 57	Sag Harbor.....	7 50
Vineland.....	15 00	Duane Ch., N.Y..	5 00	St. John's Church,		Far Rockaway... 7 00	
Manchester.....	4 95	30th-st. Ch., N.Y.	1 30	N. Y.....	3 00	High Ridge.....	3 00
Bordentown, Trin-		Second Ch., New-		Bedford-str't Ch.,		Portchester.....	10 00
ity Church.....	3 75	burgh.....	4 50	N. Y.....	28 50	Unionville.....	1 75
Groveville.....	7 50	Central Ch. N. Y.	30 00	Greene-st. Church,		Amityville.....	1 13
Pleasant Mills....	5 00	15th-st. Ch., N. Y.	8 00	N. Y.....	5 00	Nicho's Farms &	
Groveville.....	2 25	Bedford-street Ch.		Glasco.....	3 00	Trumbull.....	3 60
Hancock's Bridge	24 00	N. Y.....	20 00	Newcastle.....	3 00	Seaford and New-	
Turkey.....	1 50	Duane Ch., N.Y..	5 00			bridge.....	2 25
New Bruswick,		St. Paul's Ch., N.Y.	3 36		\$558 84	Durham.....	8 25
Pitman Chapel...	5 00	Mount Vernon...	4 50	N. Y. East Conf.		Northport.....	7 00
Embury & Ocean-		Cold Springs.....	8 00	Pacific-street S. S.		Washington-st. Ch.	
port.....	5 00	Lake Mahopac....	2 00	Brooklyn.....	\$37 50	Brooklyn.....	10 00
Trenton Falls....	4 80	Five Points Mis-		South-2d-st. Ch.		East Bridgeport..	5 00
Petersburgh.....	7 50	sion, N. Y.....	2 52	Brooklyn.....	3 65	East Norwich....	4 50
Long Branch, 1st		Port Jervis.....	2 00	City Mis., N.Y..	10 00	S. Park-street Ch.	
Church.....	2 50	Central Ch., N. Y.	25 00	Greenpoint.....	2 00	New Haven.....	5 00
Squam Village....	3 00	Monticello.....	0 40	2d Av. Ch., N. Y.	10 50	Hartford.....	15 00
Good Luck.....	1 25	Lakeville.....	3 64	Rye.....	5 00	North New York..	6 00
Tuckahoe.....	3 00	Coeyman's.....	1 00	Seventh-st. S. S.,		East Bridgeport..	10 50
Englishtown.....	2 00	North Hillsdale &		N. Y.....	5 00	John-st. Church,	
Tom's River.....	8 00	North Egremont	5 00	Mamaroneck....	16 00	N. Y.....	15 75
Trenton, Warren-		Milan.....	5 00	Warren-st. Church		Southbury and S.	
street Church...	5 00	Peekskill.....	6 00	Brooklyn.....	2 00	Britain.....	6 00
Hamilton Square	30	Athens.....	8 00	Carlton Av. Ch.,		East New York..	4 95
Camden, Stockton		Duane Ch., N. Y.	10 50	Brooklyn.....	5 00	2d Ch., Norwalk.	5 00
Church.....	0 85	Bethel Ship, N.Y.	10 00	Sag Harbor.....	1 00	Willett-st. Church	
Groveville.....	1 50	Liberty.....	7 50	S. Second-st. Ch.,		N. Y.....	97
Bethesda.....	8 00	Wappinger's Falls	5 00	Brooklyn.....	20 00	St. John's Church,	
Farmingdale.....	10 00	Pine's Bridge.....	5 00	Willett-st. Church,		Brooklyn.....	1 07
Bass River.....	5 00	N.Y. City Mission	10 00	N. Y.....	1 20	Southington.....	4 24
Allentown.....	10 00	Pleasantville....	11 25	William-st. Miss.,		Hanson Place Ch.	
Near Bordentown	3 75	Peekskill.....	4 30	Brooklyn.....	5 00	Brooklyn.....	17 00
Cranberry.....	3 00	Bethel Ship, N.Y.	10 00	Fleet-st. Church,		Mt. Vernon.....	1 54
Mil town.....	12 50	Claverack and Mil-		Brooklyn.....	8 09	Dix Mil's.....	2 00
Mantua.....	4 00	lenville.....	8 85	Monroe.....	3 00	Mattinecock Cir..	3 75
May's Landing... 1 50		Trinity Ch., New-		Flatbush.....	6 00	First Place Ch'ch,	
Gloucester.....	1 00	burgh.....	9 00	Second-st. Church,		Brooklyn.....	1 00
Woodstown.....	3 63	Florida.....	3 95	N. Y.....	8 00	St. John's Church,	
Columbus.....	5 00	Deposit.....	3 75	William-st. Miss.,		Brooklyn.....	1 07
Port Elizabeth....	7 50	Catskill.....	1 00	Brooklyn.....	15 00	Haven.....	15 00
Salem.....	5 00	Southfield.....	1 75	St. John's Church,		Amityville Cir..	10 50
Salem.....	5 00	Westchester Poor		Brooklyn.....	1 07	Mattinecock.....	3 75
Tuckahoe.....	5 40	Honse.....	2 00	Greenpoint.....	10 00	Springfield.....	5 00
Bargaintown.....	3 75	Harvard Circuit..	3 00	Unionda'e. L. I..	1 50	Jamaica.....	5 00
Williamstown....	11 25	Jane-st. Ch., N.Y.	2 00	St. John's Church,		2d Avenue Ch'ch.,	
		New Windsor....	3 00	Brooklyn.....	75 00	N. Y.....	4 95
Lambertville....	10 00	Ketonah.....	4 50	Willett-street Ch.		Willett-st. Church,	
Penn's Grove....	8 30	Glasco.....	1 12	N. Y.....	1 64	N. Y.....	1 82
Cassville.....	5 00					Rockville Center..	42 50
Woodbury.....	3 00					City Miss., N.Y..	45 00
						Middlebury.....	1 00

Middlebury.....	\$3 60	Greencastle.....	\$5 00	Among Boatmen.....	\$1 35	No. Rehoboth.....	\$5 50
Hempstead.....	8 00	".....	10 00	City Mission.....	1 02	Pawtucket.....	10 00
Little Neck.....	7 25	Mishawaka.....	4 12	Bethel Circuit.....	1 00		
Middle Village.....	5 00	Waterloo.....	5 40	Smith's Ferry.....	1 81		\$249 58
Maspeeth.....	5 00	Van Buren.....	5 00	Battler Circuit.....	5 00		
Stony Brook.....	3 00	Covington.....	5 00	City Mission.....	0 69		
		Star City.....	5 00	Livermore Cir.....	0 60		
	\$741 82	South Bend.....	7 50	Bethel.....	3 00	Rock River Conf.	
N. Carolina Conf.		Lakeville.....	3 75	Allegany City.....	1 64	Leland.....	\$10 50
Dover Circuit.....	\$5 00	San Pierre.....	1 50	Homer Circuit.....	2 33	Erie.....	5 00
Randolph & Mont-		Rolling Prairie.....	7 50	City Mission.....	1 14	Libertyville.....	5 35
gomery.....	5 00					Wilmington.....	3 34
Lincoln, Catawba,	5 00		\$68 77		\$267 50	Joliet.....	1 92
& Cleveland.....	5 00	Ohio Conference.		Providence Conf.		Leland.....	5 00
N. Carolina Dis-		Patriot.....	\$5 00	Lebanon.....	\$2 25	Barton Circuit.....	3 00
trict.....	20 00	Columbia Station.....	2 00	Norwichtown.....	0 68	Capron.....	4 50
Cabarras and Stan-		Wilkesville.....	2 80	New London.....	7 50	Cortland.....	5 00
ley.....	4 80	Cireleville.....	5 00	Danielsonville.....	3 75	Baileyville.....	5 00
N. Wilkes Circuit.....	5 00	Columbus.....	4 00	Tiverton.....	4 95	Plainfield.....	2 50
Guilford Circuit.....	5 00	Clintonville Cir.....	5 00	Litt'e Compton.....	10 00	Twelve Mile Grove.....	5 00
	\$49 80	Hopewell.....	5 00	Vernon Depot.....	3 75	Lamont.....	2 90
N. Indiana Conf.		Morristown.....	20 00	N. Bedford, Pleas-		Ottawa.....	0 30
Muncie.....	\$2 50	Gallipolis.....	5 00	ant-st.....	15 00	Elwood.....	4 80
Logansport.....	5 00	Hamden.....	6 00	Eastford.....	1 50	Sterling.....	1 00
Muncie.....	2 50	Delaware.....	4 00	Somers.....	1 50	".....	1 00
Bristol.....	5 00		\$63 80	Providence, Asbu-		Conference Agent.....	5 00
Auburn.....	12 00	Oneida Conference.		ry Charge.....	10 00	Waukegan.....	5 00
Waterloo City.....	1 20	Cherry Valley.....	\$3 75	South Coventry.....	6 00	West Aurora.....	5 00
Columbia City.....	7 50			South Glastenbury.....	3 75	Co. Poor House.....	7 00
	\$35 70	Oregon Conference.		Volantown.....	3 50	Libertyville.....	4 00
North Ohio Conf.		Wilbur.....	\$3 00	South Manchester.....	9 75	Freedom.....	2 57
Toledo, Bethel Un-		South Salem.....	7 50	Pascoag.....	3 00	Thomson Circuit.....	4 00
ion.....	\$5 00	Grant's Pass.....	7 20	Marlborough.....	2 25	Chicago City Miss.....	15 40
New London.....	9 00		\$17 70	Hopeville.....	3 00	Wilmington.....	7 50
Clyde.....	4 95	Philadelphia Conf.		Mystic Bridge.....	7 50	Elida.....	7 50
Monroeville.....	5 00	Cressona.....	\$4 25	Acushnet.....	5 00	Gooding's Grove.....	15 00
La Grange.....	5 00	New Hope.....	15 00	Newport, Thames-		Morris.....	6 00
Cleveland.....	5 00	Danville.....	1 50	street.....	5 50	Wilton.....	15 00
Columbus.....	2 40		\$20 75	Stoughton.....	1 50	Elida.....	3 75
Bolivar.....	2 00	Pittsburgh Conf.		South Truro.....	1 50	Capron.....	4 50
Bakersville.....	3 00	Barnesville.....	\$3 00	Mapleville.....	1 50	Baileyville.....	1 50
Cleveland.....	6 00	Powhatan.....	1 00	Monument.....	1 50	Utica.....	12 00
	\$47 35	Alleghany City.....	7 50	Providence, Asby.....	1 50	Chicago, Halsted-	
N. W. German Conf.		S. Common.....	7 50	Danielsonville.....	3 00	street Mission.....	60 00
De Soto.....	\$3 00	Fayette Circuit.....	12 00	Hazardville.....	3 00	Burlington.....	7 50
Chicago Mission.....	16 75	S. Steubenville.....	7 50	Gurleyville.....	1 50	Triumph.....	2 25
Henderson.....	3 00	Martin's Ferry.....	27 00	Norwichtown.....	1 50	Elwood.....	1 88
Crow River.....	3 00	Sharpsburgh.....	3 00	Quarryville.....	1 50	".....	3 37
Washington.....	3 50	Uricksville.....	5 00	Norwich.....	1 50	Cortland.....	3 38
Cedar Lake.....	1 50	Johnstown.....	35 00	Quarryville.....	1 50	Rockford.....	6 00
Valparaiso.....	1 50	Mt. Union.....	1 00	W. Sandwich.....	1 50	Chicago, Trinity	
Watertown, etc.....	7 50	Marlborough.....	4 50	North Easton.....	3 00	Church.....	4 50
Buckley, etc.....	12 00	Birmingham.....	15 00	North Rehoboth.....	3 00	Downer's Grove.....	4 50
Newtonburgh.....	1 50	Punxsutawney.....	3 00	Phenix.....	6 00	Chicago, Wabash	
Chicago, etc.....	3 50	McCoy's Station.....	11 25	South Providence.....	7 50	Avenue Ch.....	30 00
Winona District.....	29 40	Powhatan.....	6 60	N. Bedford, 4th-st.....	4 00	Waukegan.....	5 00
Oconomowoc.....	1 75	Cadiz.....	8 45	Newport, Thames-		Dover.....	6 00
St. Paul District.....	15 00	Summerfield.....	11 25	street.....	5 00	Pecatonica.....	7 50
Chicago.....	20 00	Elizbeth.....	7 50	Newport, Marlbor-		Rockford.....	30 00
Wisconsin.....	46 00	West Newton.....	3 75	ough-st.....	5 00	Barrington.....	7 50
Chicago Mission.....	1 75	Greensburgh.....	10 50	Steep Brook, Fall		Harvard.....	7 50
Milwaukee.....	3 50	Pine Run.....	5 00	River.....	3 00		\$383 76
Michigan City.....	2 50	Washington.....	15 00	Danielsonville.....	2 00	S. Carolina Conf.	
Freeport.....	4 00	Connellsville.....	10 00	Nantucket.....	4 50	Charleston.....	\$40 00
Milwaukee.....	2 00	Richmond.....	7 50	N. Grosvenordale.....	4 00	".....	25 00
	\$182 65	Florence Circuit.....	2 85	Wellfleet.....	3 68	Orangeburgh.....	50 00
N. W. Indiana Conf.		Alleghany City.....	1 87	East Weymouth.....	4 37	Greenville Dist.....	25 00
Greencastle.....	\$2 00	G. W. Cranage.....	7 65	Pocasset.....	1 35	Florida District.....	25 00
".....	3 00	Blairsville.....	3 00	New Bedford, City			
".....	4 00			Missions.....	12 43		\$165 00
				Williamantic.....	1 76	S. E. Indiana Conf.	
				Plymouth.....	2 31	Jonesville Circ't.....	\$11 60
				East Greenwich.....	3 00	Mt. Carmel.....	2 63
				No. Bridgewater.....	4 00	Jeffersonville.....	5 50
				Holmes' Hole.....	2 00		
				Providence, Chest-	5 55		
				nut-st.....			

Milroy.....		Tennessee Conf.		Upper Iowa Conf.		W. Virginia Conf.	
Liberty Circuit....		Smeedsville Cir. \$18 75		Indiantown.....		Bridgeport.....	
Greenwood.....		Camden.....		Nashua.....		Glenville.....	
Walden.....		Nashville.....		Manchester.....		Kilbourn City.....	
		Spring Hill.....		Cascade.....		Charleston.....	
		Johnsonville.....		Dyersville.....		Charleston.....	
\$37 53		Brownsville.....		Jessup.....		Pine Grove.....	
S. Illinois Conf.		Memphis.....		Dubuque.....		Rev. B. Ison for	
Robinson.....		Murfreesborough. 10 00		Elkader.....		Gen'l. Cir'lation. 5 00	
Howard's Point.. 12 00		Shelbyville.....		Inland.....		Rev. T. M. Hartley,	
Albion.....		7 50		East Waterloo... 15 00		for Gen'l. Cir'lation 5 00	
Salem Circuit.... 10 00		\$81 25		\$68 75		Rev. W. L. Hindman	
New Haven..... 3 00		Troy Conference.		Vermont Conf.		for General Circu-	
Hickory Creek... 3 75		South Adams.... \$5 00		Jericho and Un-		lation.....	
South Pass..... 3 75		Amsterdam..... 10 50		derhill.....		\$62 38	
Metropolis..... 3 00		North Easton.... 6 25		West Concord.... 4 95		W. Winconsin Conf.	
Enfield.....		Cambridge..... 10 16		Bondville.....		Mendota.....	
Mt. Carmel..... 3 00		Jonesville..... 3 75		Sheldon.....		Kilbourn City.... 5 00	
New Haven..... 4 00		Troy, Ohio-st. Ch. 4 95		Irasburgh.....		Viroqua.....	
Bellevue.....		Mineral Springs.. 7 50		Waterbury Center		Prairie du Cbien. 2 00	
Coulterville..... 5 00		Hartford.....		Proctorsville.... 3 00		Toneah.....	
Okaw.....		Cohoes.....		Waitsfield.....		Spring Green.... 1 00	
Arma.....		Pittsfield.....		S. Londonderry.. 3 00		Chippewa Falls.. 10 00	
Mt. Vernon..... 5 90		Lansingburgh... 10 00		Bradford.....		Augusta.....	
Jonesborough... 2 00		Stephentown.... 3 00		Peacham.....		Fayette.....	
Upper Alton..... 3 00		Root.....		Colchester.....		La Crosse.....	
Lebanon.....		Hinesburgh..... 3 00		E. Burke.....		Shullsburg.....	
Dongola.....		Schoharie.....		W. Glover.....		Sparta.....	
Lawrenceville... 5 00		North Granville.. 7 50		Hardwick.....		Landon.....	
Cairo.....		Ticonderoga..... 5 00		St. Johnsbury... 3 00		West Eau Claire. 3 75	
Ramsey.....		Pownal.....		Wardsborough... 2 00		Leon.....	
Riehview.....		Fultonville..... 6 50		Waterbury.....		Bloomer.....	
Du Quoin.....		Waterford.....		Pittsfield.....		\$58 15	
Troy.....		Cheshire.....		Waterbury Center		Wilmington Conf.	
\$123 80		Middletown..... 4 50		Wright's Mills.. 2 00		Smyrna.....	
S. W. German Conf.		Glenn's Falls... 20 00		Wait's River.... 1 00		Port Penn.....	
Springfield, Ill.. \$8 00		Cobleskill..... 2 50		Montpelier.....		Easton.....	
Omaha.....		Chazy.....		E. Dover.....		Lewes.....	
\$12 00		Guiderland..... 3 00		Victory.....		Milford.....	
St. Louis Conf.		Mineral Springs.. 5 00		Northfield Falls. 3 00		Sandy Hill Circuit. 11 25	
Knobnoster..... \$2 57		Schenectady..... 8 00		Essex.....		Berlin.....	
Lamar.....		New Lebanon.... 1 50		Bellows Falls... 1 50		Milford.....	
Richwoods.....		Jonesville..... 3 75		Stowe.....		Trappe.....	
Buffalo.....		New Bennington. 3 60		St. Johnsbury C'tr. 2 25		Princess Anne... 3 00	
Knobnoster..... 9 00		Bennington..... 3 75		\$76 15		Georgetown..... 3 00	
St. Louis, Bethel. 7 65		Fort Edward.... 1 12		Virginia Conf.		Dover.....	
Marble Hill..... 3 00		Albany S. S. Miss. 8 18		Portsmouth..... \$8 40		Wilmington, Ep-	
Paterson.....		Rensselaerville... 6 00		Augusta Mission. 15 00		worth Chapel... 3 00	
High Point.....		Fort Plain..... 3 38		Norfolk.....		Sudlersville..... 1 05	
Rolla.....		Hebron and West		Fincastle.....		Cecilton.....	
Carthage.....		Rupert.....		Rockbridge.....		North East.....	
Mt. Vernon.....		Pittsfield.....		Abingdon Circuit. 5 00		Charlestown..... 3 50	
West Plains.....		W. Troy, Ohio-st. 6 12		Berryville.....		Lewes.....	
Bloomfield.....		Wells and Lake		New Hampden... 1 20		Wilmington..... 2 22	
Ozark.....		Pleasant Charge		\$50 45		Church Creek.... 5 00	
Rochester.....		Leving's Chapel,		Washington Conf.		Zion.....	
Kansas City.....		Troy.....		Washington..... \$5 00		Georgetown..... 1 25	
Warsaw.....		Jay.....		Brookville.....		Dover.....	
St. Louis Miss.. 5 00		Schenectady..... 15 00		Annapolis.....		Sudlersville..... 5 00	
Vera Cruz.....		Troy, State-st.. 5 00		Norfolk and Ports-		St. Michael's.... 0 20	
Mt. Vernon.....		Westport.....		mouth.....		Berlin.....	
Rolla Circuit.... 7 50		Asable Forks.... 4 00		Raven's Nest... 5 00		Charlestown..... 2 23	
Salem.....		Champlain..... 3 00		Mattinsburgh... 5 00		Quantico..... 0 56	
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